

Senator Dalrymple moved to adjourn until 7½ o'clock this evening.

Lost.

Upon motion of Senator Jowers, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 8½ o'clock.

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SENATE CHAMBER, }  
Nov. 10, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Senator Record made the following report :

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of Senate :*

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred House bill entitled "An act to amend the 110th section of an act to be entitled an act to regulate proceedings in the County Court, pertaining to estates of deceased persons," have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report back the following substitute and recommend its passage.

J. K. P. RECORD, Chairman.

Upon motion of Senator Record, the bill and report were taken up and substitute adopted.

Read second time and passed to a third reading ; rule suspended, bill read third time and passed.

Senator Cook introduced a bill entitled "An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbus."

Read first time, rule suspended, read second time and ordered to be engrossed ; rule further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn, a bill supplementary and amendatory of "An act entitled an act authorizing and requiring the County Courts to regulate roads, appoint overseers, &c.," approved February 8th, 1858, was taken up, read first time, rules suspended, read second time and ordered to a third reading ; rule further suspended, read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Stell, a bill amending "An act entitled an act establishing a County Court," approved March 16, 1848, was taken up.

Bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Senator Record moved to amend by striking out "four," and inserting "three."

Motion Lost.

Rule suspended, read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Saufley, a bill to amend sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, of "An act to regulate fees of office," approved March 20th, 1848, was taken up.

Senator Cooley moved to amend as follows :

Strike out all relating to County Clerks, and insert therefor the following :

"County Clerks shall be entitled to demand and receive in United States currency, such fees as were heretofore fixed by law, or two thirds thereof when paid in specie."

Senator Saufley moved the previous question.

Previous question seconded.

Main question ordered.

Question being upon the engrossment, and the yeas and nays being called, the bill was ordered to be engrossed by the following vote :

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Burney, Cook, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Saufley, Shannon, Shelley, Stell, Voigt and Yarbrow—16.

NAYS—Senators Blount, Boyd, Brown, Cooley, Foscoe, Guinn, Littleton, Record, Reed, Selman and Truitt—11.

Upon motion of Senator Foscoe, a bill supplemental to and amendatory of "An act authorizing the disposition and sale of the University lands," approved August 30th, 1856, was taken up, read second time and passed to a third reading; rule suspended, read third time and passed.

Senator Shelley made the following report, which was taken up and adopted :

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
Nov. 10, 1866. }

*To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the House bill on the disagreement to the Senate amendment, entitled "An act prescribing the time of holding the District Courts in the several Judicial Districts, and to change the numbers thereof, in certain cases," have considered the same, and the Senate recedes from its amendment, and that appeals from the county of Gonzales be made returnable to the Supreme Court, at Galveston.

N. G. SHELLEY,  
Chairman on part of Senate.  
WILLIAM TATE,  
Chairman on part of House.

Adopted.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn, rule suspended, bill taken up and made special order for 3½ o'clock this evening.

Senate bill to incorporate the town of Marlin, in Falls county, amended by the House.

Bill taken up and amendments concurred in.

Senator Selman made the following report:

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :*

The Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred a House bill entitled "An act to extend the time for locating land certificates," have had the same under consideration. The Committee believe that the object sought to be attained by the bill, has been provided for by an act passed at the present session of the Legislature ; I am therefore instructed to report the bill back to the Senate, and recommend that no further action be had.

B. T. SELMAN, Chairman.

House bill to authorize and require the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue to the heirs of José Angel Navarro a certificate for one labor of land, was taken up, read second time and passed to a third reading ; rule suspended, bill read third time and passed by the following two-third vote :

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Brown, Cooley, Coppedge, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Reed, Saufley, Shannon, Shelley, Truitt and Voigt—17.

NAYS—Senators Blount, Boyd, Cook, Foscue and Yarbrow—5.

Upon motion of Senator Shelley, the Chair appointed Senators Jowers, Shelley and Foscue as a Committee of Conference on the Supreme Court bill.

House bill to incorporate the Eastern Texas Manufacturing Company, was taken up, read first time.

Senator McDade moved to amend as follows :

Strike out in section 4th, all between "stockholders," in the fifth line, and the word "and," in the sixth, and insert in lieu of the same, "at such time as the Directors may designate."

Accepted.

Rule suspended, bill as amended read second time and passed to a third reading ; rule further suspended, bill read third time and passed by the following two-third vote :

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Brown, Burney, Cooley, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Littleton, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Record, Reed, Saufley, Selman, Shelley, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbrow—22.

NAYS—None.

House bill to incorporate the Houston Chamber of Commerce,

was taken up, read first time, rule suspended, read second time and passed to a third reading; rule further suspended, read third time and passed by the following two-third vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Boyd, Brown, Burney, Cook, Cooley, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Reed, Saufley, Selman, Shelley, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbrow—22.

NAYS—None.

House bill entitled "An act for the purpose of carrying into effect an ordinance of the late Convention securing the common School and University fund, and for other purposes," was taken up, read second time and passed to a third reading; rule suspended, bill read third time and passed.

House bill creating the office of State Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works, was taken up on its first reading.

Senator Shelley moved to suspend the rule to place the bill on its second reading.

Senate refused to suspend the rule.

Senate bill to authorize the sale of two million acres of public domain, was taken up, read third time and passed by the following two-third vote:

YEAS—Senators Blount, Brown, Cook, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Reed, Saufley, Shannon, Shelley, Truitt and Yarbrow—17.

NAYS—Senators Braswell, Boyd, Cooley, Jowers and Selman—5.

Senator Cook offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Sergeant-at-arms be, and he is hereby instructed, (after the adjournment of the Legislature,) to take charge of, and make an inventory of all the furniture, stationery, &c., belonging to the Senate, and turn the same over to the Secretary of State, taking his receipt for the same—said receipt to be filed with the Governor; and that the Sergeant-at-arms be allowed the sum of \$8 per day for two days, to carry out the requirements of this resolution.

Adopted.

Senator Jowers made the following report:

November 10th, 1866.

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate, and Hon. N. M. Burford, Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

The Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses upon the Senate amendment to a bill to provide for the publication of the decisions of the Supreme Court, &c., have

agreed upon the following amendment as a substitute for that proposed by the Senate:

Amend section 4, by inserting after the word "dollars," in 4th line from bottom, the following words: "and fifty cents."

The Committee unanimously recommend the adoption of said amendment. Respectfully submitted.

W. G. W. JOWERS,  
Chairman on part of Senate.

T. R. BONNER,  
Chairman on part of House.

Adopted.

Senator Jowers made the following report:

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of Senate :*

The Committee on Claims and Accounts, to whom was referred the House bill entitled "An act for the relief of Alfred S. Thurmond," beg leave to say that they find no reason to change their first report, and ask that the same be adopted.

W. G. W. JOWERS, Chairman.

Senator Shelley moved to take up the report, upon which Senator Guinn moved a call of the Senate.

Call sustained.

Pending the call, Senator Knox introduced the following joint resolution, authorizing the Governor to employ an accountant to examine the books of the Military Boards under the supervision of the Attorney General of the State, &c.

Rule suspended, resolution taken up, read second time and ordered to be engrossed; rule further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

House bill supplemental to an an act entitled "An act supplementary to an act entitled an act to regulate proceedings in the County Courts pertaining to estates of deceased persons," approved March 20th, 1848; approved November 15th, 1864, taken up, read first time; rule suspended, read second time and passed to a third reading; rule further suspended, read third time and passed.

House bill to authorize the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum to appoint a Chaplain, and to provide for the payment thereof, was taken up.

Senator Guinn moved to postpone the bill and make it special order for 4 o'clock this evening.

Lost.

Senator Jowers moved to strike out "500," and insert "300."

Carried.

Senator Foscoe moved to postpone indefinitely.

S. J.—SIG. 40.

The yeas and nays being called, the motion was lost by the following vote:

**YEAS**—Senators Brown, Cooley, Foscue, Reed, Sausley, Selman and Truitt—7.

**NAYS**—Senators Braswell, Blount, Boyd, Burney, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Shannon, Shelley, Voigt and Yarbrow—16.

Bill passed to a third reading.

Senate refused to place the bill on a final passage.

Joint resolution concerning Superintendent of Public Instruction, was taken up, read first time; rule suspended, read second time and ordered to be engrossed; rule further suspended, read third time and passed by the following vote:

**YEAS**—Senators Boyd, Brown, Burney, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Shelley, Truitt and Yarbrow—12.

**NAYS**—Senators Braswell, Blount, Cook, Cooley, Foscue, Neyland, Parker, Reed, Sausley, Selman and Shannon—11.

A message was received from the House announcing the passage of the following bills:

Senate bill supplemental to "An act to incorporate the Brownsville Bridge Company," approved September 24th, 1866.

Senate bill to amend 11th section of "An act to provide for the registry of deeds and other instruments in writing," approved May 12th, 1846.

Joint resolution making an appropriation to repair the Alamo Monument.

Senate bill prohibiting the false personation of Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Deputy Sheriffs, Coroners, Constables, or other judicial or ministerial officers.

Senate bill to amend Article 743, Chapter VIII, Title XX, of "An act to adopt and establish a Penal Code," approved August 26th, 1856.

Senate bill to incorporate the Galveston Dramatic Association.

Senate bill to extend the provisions of "An act to provide for the incorporation of towns and cities," approved January 27th, 1858, to the towns of Denton and Pilot Point, in Denton county.

Senate bill to authorize H. W. Davis to erect a dam across the San Marcos river, in Hays county.

Senate bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of Bellvue Academy.

Senate bill to incorporate the New Braunfels Woolen Manufacturing Company.

Senate bill to provide for the payment of the First Parker county Minute Company, commanded by Capt. L. L. Tackett,

and Wise county Minute Company, commanded by Capt. John Teague, amended by the House.

Senate concurs in the amendment.

Senate bill to provide for the compensation of jurors; amended by the House.

Senate concurs in the amendment.

Senate bill to incorporate the Colorado Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company, amended by the House.

Senate concurred in the amendments.

Senate bill to incorporate the Contractors' Association amended by the House.

Senate concurred in the amendments.

Senate bill to amend articles 757 and 766, of an act to adopt and establish a Penal Code for the State of Texas; amended by the House.

Senate concurred in the amendments.

Senate bill authorizing guardians and administrators to settle their accounts in certain cases; amended by the House.

Senate concurred in the amendments.

Senate bill to regulate the issuing, execution and return of writs and process.

Senate bill to authorize the Board of Managers of the Lunatic Asylum to purchase from David L. Cross, certain land therein named for the use of said Institution, for the benefit of insane negroes.

Senate bill to incorporate the Houston Dramatic Association.

Senate bill to amend the first section of an act entitled an act to regulate proceedings in the County Court pertaining to the estates of deceased persons, passed March 20th, 1848, approved January 1st, 1862.

Joint Resolution making an appropriation for the payment of S. B. Buckley for services as Geologist.

Senate bill to prohibit the discharge of fire-arms in certain places therein named.

Senate bill to incorporate the Corpus Christi Coal and Petroleum Railroad Company.

Senate bill to incorporate the Brownsville Mutual Insurance Company.

House bill to prevent the sale of spirits within three miles of Lowry Male and Female Institute.

Joint Resolution in relation to public property.

House bill to incorporate the LaGrange Fire Company, in the town of LaGrange.

House bill amendatory of 6th section of an act to incorporate

the Texas Copper Manufacturing Company, approved May 28th, 1864.

House bill to incorporate the San Antonio and Guadalupe Bridge Company.

Senate bill to consolidate the counties of Cameron and Hidalgo into one land district.

Joint Resolution concerning Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The House has adopted the Senate amendments to bill making appropriation to support State government for the years 1867 and 1868.

Also, to first amendment to bill providing for printing decisions of Supreme Court, and disagrees to second amendment, and has appointed as Committee of Conference on said disagreement, Messrs. Bonner, Short, Hendley and Giddings, and ask the Senate to appoint a like committee.

The House has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses on a bill amendatory of certain acts in regard to the organization of the Supreme Court, and has refused to adopt the report of the Committee of Conference on bill providing for printing certain General Laws in the Spanish and German languages, and has re-committed the bill to same committee.

The House has adopted the report of the Joint Select Committee memorializing the President for the relief of Jefferson Davis.

Also, reports of Committee of Conference on bills providing for printing certain General Laws in Spanish and other languages, and providing for publication of decisions of Supreme Court.

#### COMMITTEE ROOM.

Austin, November 10, 1866.

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate:*

The Joint Committee of Free Conference upon the disagreement of the two Houses respecting a bill to be entitled "An act making provision for the translation and printing of certain General Laws into the Spanish and German languages," have duly considered the same, and a majority of the committee recommend that the House agree to the Senate amendments. All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. M. NEYLAND,

On part of the Senate.

M. S. DUNN,

Chairman on part of the House.

Adopted.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, which upon motion of Senator Guinn, was taken up.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, {  
Austin, Texas, Nov. 10, 1866. }

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives :*

I herewith return to the Senate, a bill originating in that body, entitled "An Act to prevent trespass," and which says, "that if any person shall enter upon any inclosed farm or plantation without the permission of the owner or agent, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to be arrested upon complaint under oath by the owner or his agent, or indicted by the grand jury of any county in which the premises trespassed on is situated, and brought before any court of competent jurisdiction, and upon proof of the fact, shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisoned in the county jail or house of correction for a term not exceeding thirty days, and may in addition thereto be required to give bond, with one or more sureties for his good behavior for six months."

It is with much regret that I feel constrained to differ with the Legislature upon the policy and necessity of the law. I know the motive for the law was prompted by an earnest desire to preserve the peace and quiet of every family in the State. I trust that a strict enforcement of the laws already enacted will be sufficient for this purpose. I do not desire to present the various questions that would arise in the courts should this measure become a law, nor portray the effects its operation would have upon the social intercourse of the country. Therefore, I most respectfully return the bill for your more mature consideration.

J. W. THROCKMORTON.

Senator Burney moved to pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of his Excellency the Governor.

Upon which, the yeas and nays being called, the Senate refused to pass the bill by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Burney, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Neyland, Saufley, Shelley and Truitt—10.

NAYS—Senators Blount, Boyd, Brown, Cook, Cooley, Dalrymple, Knox, Parker, Reed, Selman, Shannon and Yarbro—12.

On motion of Senator Guinn, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
3 p. m., Nov. 10th, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called—quorum present.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of the special order, viz :

A bill to divide the State into judicial circuits, and to require the Judges to alternate.

Bill taken up, read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Senator Guinn made the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM, }  
Nov. 9th, 1866. }

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :*

Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a House bill to be entitled "An act for the collection of back taxes on land," have instructed me to report it back and ask that it pass. The bill is not as perfect as the Committee would have preferred, but the time and circumstances will not permit the Committee to perfect the same; they think to amend the bill is its defeat.

R. H. GUINN, Chairman.

Bill and report taken up, and read first time, rule suspended, bill read second time and passed to third reading; rule further suspended, read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Shelley, a bill to amend sections 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th of an act to regulate fees of office, approved March 20th, 1848, on its third reading, was taken up, and the yeas and nays being called, the bill was passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Brown, Burney, Cook, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Neyland, Reed, Saufley, Shannon, Shelley, Stell, Truitt and Yarbrow—17.

NAYS—Senators Blount, Cooley, Foscue, Guinn, Parker, Record and Selman—7.

Upon motion of Senator Knox, a bill to incorporate the Brazos Santiago and Brownsville Railroad Company, on its second reading, was taken up.

Senator Jowers moved the previous question, which was the passage of the bill to a third reading.

Upon which Senator Foscue moved a call of the House. Motion sustained.

Pending the call. Upon motion of Senator Foscue, the Senate adjourned until this evening 7½ o'clock.

SENATE CHAMBER. }

7½ o'clock, p. m., November 10th, 1866. }

Question pending at adjournment was a bill to incorporate the Brazos Santiago and Brownsville Railroad Company, on its second reading.

By request of Senator Cook, he was excused from service on a Committee of both Houses who were appointed to proceed to New Orleans, and remove the remains of General Albert Sydney Johnston from that city to the State Cemetery at Austin, and Senator Shelley was substituted in his place.

House bill to revive and amend an act to provide for the organization of the militia of the State of Texas, was taken up and read first time.

Senator Guinn moved to insert the word "white" before "male."

Amendment made.

Senator Shelley moved to amend 31st section as follows :

Strike out all after "Commander-in-Chief."

Amendment made.

Senator Shelley moved to amend as follows :

Strike out all of Sec. 9, down to the words "whose duty" and insert "Section 9. The Governor shall immediately after the passage of this act appoint one Brigadier General for each Brigade, and one Major General for each Division."

Senator Cooley moved to amend "by exempting the 31st Senatorial District from the operations of the law."

Lost.

Bill read second time, passed to a third reading; rule suspended bill read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Jowers, Senator Burney was excused for the evening on account of indisposition.

Senator Foscoe offered the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Assistant Enrolling and Engrossing Clerks of the Senate be allowed pay at the rate of eight dollars per day, from October 25th, 1866, to the close of the session of the present Legislature.

Adopted.

Upon motion of Senator Blount, Senator Cook was appointed Chairman of Printing Committee.

Upon motion of Senator Cook, a bill to incorporate the Lagrange Fire Company in the town of Lagrange, was taken up, read first time, rule suspended, read second time and passed to a third reading, rule further suspended, bill read third time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Boyd, Brown, Cook, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Guinn, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Nelson, Neyland, Parker, Record, Reed, Shannon, Shelley, Stell, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbro—22.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Senator Shannon, a bill amendatory of the sixth section of an act to incorporate the Texas Copper Manufacturing Company, approved May 28th, 1864, was taken up, read first time, rule suspended, read second time and passed to a third reading; rule further suspended, read third time and passed by the following two-third vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Boyd, Brown, Cooley, Coppedge, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Neyland, Parker, Record, Reed, Selman, Shannon, Shelley, Stell, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbro—23.

NAYS—None.

Upon motion of Senator Shelley, a bill to incorporate the Austin City Water Works, was taken up, read second time and passed to a third reading; rule suspended, read third time and passed by the following two-thirds vote:

YEAS—Senators Braswell, Blount, Boyd, Brown, Cook, Coppedge, Dalrymple, Foscue, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, Littleton, McDade, Nelson, Neyland, Parker, Record, Reed, Shannon, Shelley, Stell, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbro—24.

NAYS—None.

Senate resumed the consideration of a bill to incorporate the Brazos Santiago and Brownsville Railroad Company; amendments recommended by the Committee on Internal Improvements adopted.

Senator Saufley moved to amend as follows:

“Provided, That no lands shall be granted from the State under said Charter.”

Amendment made.

Bill as amended, read second time, and passed to a third reading; rule suspended, read third time, and the yeas and nays being called, the bill was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Senators Dalrymple, Guinn, Jowers, Knox, McDade, Record, Saufley, Selman, Shannon, Shelley and Stell—11.

NAYS—Senators Boyd, Brown, Braswell, Cook, Cooley, Coppedge, Littleton, Neyland, Parker, Reed, Truitt, Voigt and Yarbro—13.

Senator Guinn offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate be required to

take charge of the unfinished business of the present and past sessions of the Senate, and file the same with the Secretary of State; to finish the index to the Journal of the present session, and forward to each Senator such documents as he may be entitled to, and to forward such other mail matter as may come to Senators, and that he be continued in office twenty days for said purpose.

A message was received from the House, announcing the passage of the following bills:

House bill to incorporate the Richmond Library Association.

Senate bill to amend "An Act establishing a County Court," with an amendment by the House.

Senate bill for the appointment of administrators, and authority given to locate the University of the State of Texas, with an amendment by the House.

House bill to revive and amend "An Act to provide for the organization of the Militia of the State of Texas."

House bill to protect the citizens of Winchester, in Fayette county, and the vicinity thereof, from immoral practices.

Senate bill to amend sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 10 and 11, of "An Act to regulate fees of office," approved March 20th, 1848.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
Austin, Nov. 10, 1866. }

*To Hon. G. W. Jones, President Senate:*

The Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined the following bills, to-wit:

An act for the relief of Mrs. Mary Benton.

An act to incorporate the Corpus Christi Steamship and Overland Transportation Company.

An act to amend Art. 529 of an Act to adopt and establish a Penal Code for the State of Texas, approved August 26th, 1856.

An act to define the duties of the Receiving Clerk of the General Land Office, and require him to give bond.

An act for the relief of J. W. Vineyard and his assigns.

An act for the relief of the heirs of Berry Doolittle.

An act to authorize and provide for any county, city or town to become stockholder in, or loan its credit to, any company, corporation or association.

An act supplementary to an act to organize the County Courts and to define their powers and jurisdiction, approved October 25th, 1866.

An act to authorize the Governor to appoint a suitable person to collect the arms and munitions, and other property in the hands of individuals, belonging to the State, and to sell the same.

An act authorizing the enclosing of the State Cemetery, and making appropriation therefor.

An act to authorize the removal of the administration of Jesse Duren from the county of Leon to the county of Houston.

An act further providing for the introduction of evidence in criminal cases.

An act amendatory of an act entitled an act for the incorporation of the town of Liberty, approved June 7th, 1837.

An act to amend an act incorporating the town of Mount Pleasant, in Titus county, passed 28th August, 1856, and find the same correctly enrolled and properly signed, and have presented the same to the Governor for his approval.

F. VOIGT,

One of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

Austin, November 10th, 1866. }

*Hon. G. W. Jones, President of the Senate :*

The Committee on Engrossed Bills have examined and find correctly engrossed :

A bill to be entitled "An act amending an act entitled an act establishing a County Court," approved March 16, 1848.

A bill to be entitled "An act to extend the corporate limits of the town of Columbus."

A bill to be entitled "An act to authorize the sale of two million acres of the public domain."

A bill to be entitled "An act to amend sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of an act to regulate fees of officers," approved March 20, 1848.

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas," and a bill to be entitled "An act to divide the State into Judicial Circuits, and to require the judges to alternate.

Respectfully submitted.

W. M. NEYLAND,

Chairman Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senator Neyland offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate are due, and are hereby tendered to the Lieutenant Governor, President of the Senate, for the manner in which he has discharged the duties of his position, for his agreeable, affable and courteous demeanor towards the members of the Senate ; and that he be assured of the respect and esteem of the Senate collectively and individually.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate are alike due and tendered to the President *pro tem.* of the Senate, for his prompt,

affable and courteous discharge of the duties of Presiding Officer of Senate, in the absence of the President ; and that he be alike assured of the respect and esteem of the Senate, collectively and individually.

NEYLAND.

Adopted.

Upon motion of Senator Jowers, the Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

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SENATE CHAMBER, }  
Nov. 12th, 1866. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of Saturday read and adopted.

A bill to authorize the State of Texas to guarantee the bonds of the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad Company; the Columbus, San Antonio and Rio Grande Railroad Company; and the Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company; and the Air-Line Railroad Company, agreeable to the 30th section and 7th article of the Constitution of the State of Texas, was taken up, read second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Senator Shelley offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the Judiciary Committee shall receive the same pay as the assistant clerks of the Senate, and the Chairman of the Committee on Contingent Expenses shall approve his account accordingly.

Adopted.

Upon motion of Senator Boyd, a bill supplemental to a bill to provide for the publication of the Decisions of the Supreme Court, and the appointment of a reporter thereof, was taken up, read first time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, read third time and passed.

Upon motion of Senator Yarbrough, an act amendatory of an act entitled "An act regulating juries, approved February 13, 1848, and May 4, 1846," was taken up on its second reading.

Read second time, and passed to a third reading.

Rule suspended, read third time, and lost.

Senator Shelley offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Senate are tendered to its several officers for the affable, courteous, diligent and attentive manner in which their laborious duties have been performed, and that this resolution be spread upon the Journals.